



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES SCHEDULED FOR SOUTHBOUND SAN DIEGO FREEWAY (I-405)

INGLEWOOD – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close all lanes of the southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) at Century Boulevard for overhead sign installation and lighting work each night, May 9, 10, 11, and 12, from midnight until 5 a.m., weather permitting. **The detour is as follows:**

Exit Century Boulevard-West off-ramp, and proceed south on La Cienega Boulevard to southbound I-405 Freeway on-ramp (first on-ramp, just south of Century Boulevard). Detour signs will be in place on the right shoulder of the southbound I-405 Freeway, near the La Tijera Boulevard on-ramp, and also along La Cienega Boulevard.

Caltrans will also close various lanes, ramps, and connectors on the northbound and southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) from Jefferson Boulevard to Imperial Highway, for High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane and soundwall construction each day, Monday, May 9 through Friday, May 13, from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m., weather permitting. Both day and night work will take place. At least one regular use lane on the freeway and one collector lane, in each direction, will be open to traffic at all times.

The northbound I-405 collector lane from Imperial Highway to Century Boulevard will be closed nightly from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. The following southbound I-405 connectors, lanes, and ramps will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.: up to three regular use lanes will be closed from La Cienega Boulevard to Century Boulevard; westbound Century Boulevard on and off-ramp; southbound I-405 collector lane from Century Boulevard to Imperial Boulevard; one connector lane from southbound I-405 to the westbound Glenn Anderson Freeway (I-105); Olive Boulevard/Manchester Boulevard on-ramp; and the La Tijera Boulevard on and off-ramp.

The \$34.7 million I-405 HOV lane project started construction in spring, 2003. The project will add 5.1 miles of HOV lanes in both the northbound and southbound directions along I-405 between Route 105 and Route 90. Soundwalls will be built at various locations. The time frame for completion is winter, 2006.

